GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:129
ANSWERED ON:11.03.2005
SAFE DRINKING WATER
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a major part of rural India is still deprived of safe drinking water;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and district-wise;

(c) whether the Government proposes to set a time-frame to make safe drinking water available to rural areas;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) the funds allocated/released/utilized for different water supply schemes during the last year, the current year and that proposed for the rest of the Tenth Five year Plan Period;

(f) whether the Government has launched any programme for supporting rural water supply in desert areas of the country;

(g) if so, the details thereof, state-wise;

(h) whether the Government is contemplating to discontinue rural water supply programme based on target/allocation; and

(i) if so, the details thereof along with the reasons therefore?

Answer

MINISTER OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT (DR. RAGHUVANSH PRASAD SINGH)

(a) to (i) A statement is laid on the Table of the House.

The Statement referred to in reply to Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 129 to be answered on 11.03.2005

(a) to (b) As per the Comprehensive Action Plan (CAP) prepared in 1999 to cover all rural habitations in the country with safe drinking water supply, and the subsequent coverage reported by States/UTs, 95.34% of the Country`s, 14,22,664 rural habitations are fully covered with the stipulated norms of 40 litre per capita per day (lpcd) of safe drinking water supply. The state wise drinking water coverage position is given in the Annexure. The district wise coverage is not maintained at the central level.

(c) to (d) Water is a State subject. Central Government, however, supplement the efforts of the State Governments in providing safe drinking water in rural areas by rendering financial assistance and technical support through a Centrally Sponsored scheme, namely Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP). Tenth Plan envisages covering all rural habitations, including slipped back habitations, by the end of the plan period.

(e) The funds allocated and released under ARWSP are as under:

(Rs. in crore)

Year	Amount Allocated	Amount Released
2003-04	2585.00	2564.90
2004-05	3148.00	2542.40#

As on 3.3.2005.

The outlay for ARWSP for the Tenth Five Year Plan period is Rs. 13245 crore.

(f) to (g) Under Accelerated Rural Water Supply Programme (ARWSP), there is a component namely ARWSP (DDP) for supporting rural water supply in the rural habitations existing in the seven States- Andhra Pradesh, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Karnataka and Rajasthan covered under the Desert Development Programme (DDP). The allocation made to these states under ARWSP (DDP) during 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 is as under: -

S.No. State Allocation made under ARWSP (DDP) Rs. In Lakh)

		2003-2004	2004-2005
1	Andhra Pradesh	1424.00	676.40
2	Gujarat	153.00	73.35
3	Haryana	968.00	733.00
4	Himachal Pradesh	8.00	11.20
5	Jammu & Kashmir	65.00	366.60
6	Karnataka	1208.00	1731.55
7	Rajasthan	6174.00	8847.90
	Total	10000.00	12440.00

(h) No, Sir.

(i) Does not arise.

Annexure

Statement referred to in reply to Part (a) to (d) of Lok Sabha Starred Question No. 129 to be answered on 11.03.2005

Status of coverage positionlpcd or more

Number of Habitations

Sl.No.	State/UT	NC	PC	FC	Total	
1	ANDHRA PRADESH		0	0	69732	69732
2	ARUNACHAL PRADESH		245	656	3397	4298
3	ASSAM		301	10691	59563	70555
4	BIHAR		0	0	105340	105340
5	CHHATTISGARH		0	0	50379	50379
6	GOA		0	7	388	395
7	GUJARAT		0	52	30217	30269
8	HARYANA		0	0	6745	6745
9	HIMACHAL PRADESH		0	6891	38476	45367
10	JAMMU & KASHMIR		678	2640	7866	11184
11	JHARKHAND		0	0	100096	100096
12	KARNATAKA		0	5618	51064	56682
13	KERALA		0	7573	2190	9763
14	M.P.		0	0	109489	109489
15	MAHARASHTRA		346	23743	61841	85930
16	MANIPUR		0	0	2791	2791
17	MEGHALAYA		13	404	8219	8636
18	MIZORAM		0	112	695	807
19	NAGALAND		41	690	794	1525
20	ORISSA		0	0	114099	114099
21	PUNJAB		906	1198	11345	13449
22	RAJASTHAN		2785	0	91161	93946
23	SIKKIM		0	74	1605	1679
24	TAMILNADU		0	0	66631	66631
25	TRIPURA		0	0	7412	7412
26	UTTAR PRADESH		0	0	243508	243508
27	UTTARANCHAL		34	274	30666	30974

28 WEST BENGAL	0	0	79036	79036
29 A & N ISLANDS	0	102	402	504
30 DADRA NAGAR HAVELI	19	41	456	516
31 DAMAN & DIU	0	0	32	32
32 DELHI	0	0	219	219
33 LAKSHADWEEP	0	10	0	10
34 PONDICHERRY	0	108	159	267
35 CHANDIGARH	0	0	18	18
TOTAL	5368	60884	1356031	1422283

Number of habitations uninhabited/ unpopulated/migrated/urbanised 381

Grand Total 1422664

NC: Not Covered (less than 10 lpcd),
PC: Partially Covered (10 to less than 40 lpcd),
FC: Fully Covered (40 lpcd or more)